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Man Sentenced in Death of Tattoo Artist in North Hollywood

A Los Angeles man has been sentenced to 16 years in state prison for the shooting death of the tattoo artist known as Trigz, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Jason Quirino said Robert Andrew Falcon, 32, pleaded no contest on Nov. 17 to one count of voluntary manslaughter and admitted that he used a firearm in the killing. He was sentenced late yesterday.

Michael Christopher Pebley, 40, was shot to death near his North Hollywood tattoo shop on Oct. 9, 2014, the prosecutor said. The defendant and Pebley had been arguing and exchanging blows inside a shop next to the tattoo business before the fight spilled out onto the sidewalk where the shooting occurred, the prosecutor added.

Case LA079659 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, North Hollywood Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.